

ASF Activities in 2009/10

In 2009/10 the ASF increased its focus on delivering benefits to members including:

- Membership & interaction with the International Seed Federation (ISF) & Asia Pacific Seed Association (APSA) ;
- Submissions including to the House of Representatives Standing committee on Primary Industries & Resources;
- Representation on the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Grains Industry Consultative Committee & Market Access Committee;
- Representation on the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Post Entry Plant Quarantine Committee;
- Representation on the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Market Access Biosecurity Grains Industry Consultative Committee;
- Increased engagement, consultation and communication with Federal & State Members of Parliament;
- Consultation process with the State & Territory Government/s;
- Sunflower Submission to Biosecurity Australia;
- Consultation, industry representation and submissions on the release of Tasmania's Import Protocols for sowing seed;
- The delivery of ASF Members being included on the "Tasmania's Seed Suppliers List";
- Consultation, industry representation and submissions on the release of the Victorian Plant Biosecurity Bill Exposure Draft;
- Coated Seed Internal Working Group & discussion paper;
- International market access representation on all commodities;
- Submission and representation on climate change;
- Consultation to AQIS regarding the 40% Export Subsidy and representation on the Ministerial Taskforce for grain and seed export reform;
- Increased communication & engagement with Biosecurity Australia and AQIS;
- Consultation, industry representation and submissions to the Review of Patentable Subject Matter and Enforcement of PBR;
- Increased media focus on the ASF;
- Release of the ASF Strategic Plan;
- Consultation, industry representation and submissions to Food Standards Australia New Zealand (FSANZ);
- Release of the "Know Before You Sow" brochure to increase the awareness of the ASF Code of Practice, and Plant Breeder's Rights;
- Consultation and industry representation to the Western Australian and South Australian Governments on the movement of Genetically Modified seed;
- Engagement with the Australian Seeds Authority to deliver industry training; and
- Submission to the Productivity Commission in relation to PBR & EPR.